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SUBJ: MEETING WITH DENKTASH

1. SUMMARY: MET WITH DENKTASH. FOUND HIM IN SOMEWHAT OEASAREAN MOOD BUT AWARE THAT MILITARY VICTORY DOES NOT GUARANTEE PERPETUAL TRANQUILITY. HE CAN PROBABLY BE WORKED ON BUT IT WILL REQUIRE GREAT PATIENCE.

2. TALKED TO DENKTASH ALONE. HE EXPRESSED

SORROW ABOUT
AMBASSADOR DAVIES' DEATH, SAYING TURKISH CYPRIOTS HAD LOST
A FRIEND.

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3. SAID HE HAD JUST RETURNED FROM TURKEY AND FOUND PROBLEMS

ENORMOUS. HAD HELD PRESS CONFERENCE (REPORTED DEPARATELY)
WHICH HAD LED TO SOME QUOTES OF OF CONTEXT WHICH HE WOULD
RECTIFY.

4. SAYS TURKISH ARMY CONTROL COMPLETE AND INTERNAL SECURITY
IN TURKISH ZONE SATISFACTORY. HAS SENT MIXED TEAMS OUT THROUGH
COUNTRYSIDE TO COPE WITH ABANDONED ANIMALS AND FARMS,
IS TRYING TO CORRECT ELECTRICAL SHORTAGE PROBLEMS
AND PREVENT
WATER PUMPING FOR IRRIGATION. HE IS NOT CONFIDENT THAT ALL
PROBLEMS OF THIS NATURE CAN BE COPEDED WITH.
LBMLM SAYS TURKS WILL NOT MOVE FURTHER. WARNS, HOWEVER, THAT IF
THERE IS GUERRILLA ACTIVITY FROM GREEK SECTOR, TURKISH FORCES
WILL KNOW HOW TO REPLY.

6. WHEN ASKED ABOUT RETURN OF GREEK CYPRIOTS TO THEIR HOMES, HE
AT FIRST SAID THIS WAS OUT OF QUESTION. WENT ON TO GIVE LONG
HISTORY OF GREEK CYPRIOT OPPRESSION OF TURKS AND MAPYRIOS'
PLOTING AGAINST THEM. IN DEBATE THAT ENSUED SAID FINALLY THAT
IT WOULD BE OKAY FOR THE OLD, THE LANDOWNERS, AND CERTAIN OTHERS
TO RETURN ONCE THE FINAL LINES DRAWN AS LONG AS IT UNDERSTOOD
THAT EOKA TYPES, EX-POLICE OR NATIONAL GUARD AND SIMILAR
PEOPLE WERE EXCLUDED. (COMMENT: THIS IS NOT A FINAL POSITION)

7. HE EXPRESSED IMPATIENCE WITH CLERIDES, SAYING THERE NO
GOVERNMENT ON GREEK SIDE OF LINE. ALSO COMPLAINED THAT CLERIDES
HAD STARTED THE ATROCITY STORIES TO WHICH HE HAD BEEN REPLYING
BY SHOWING THE PRESS THE GRAVES OF MASSACRED TURKS.

8. HE SAID EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEKS HAD CHANGED CYPRUS FOREVER.
CYPRIOT TURKS WOULD NEVER AGAIN BE RULED ARBITRARILY
BY GREEKS. I TOLD HIM THAT MILITARY FACTS CHANGE HISTORY BUT
THAT WHAT WAS IMPORTANT NOW WAS TO LOOK TO THE FUTURE. HE
SHOULD NOT ONLY BE THINKING OF WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN THE NEXT
TWENTY DAYS BUT WHAT HE WOULD WANT TO SEE IN 20 YEARS. HE
HAD THE GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CREATION OF A PEACEFUL
CYPRUS WHERE ALL ITS PEOPLES COULD LIVE IN HARMONY.

9. COMMENT: LAST WAS A BIT PREACHY BUT WORTH DOING AS HE RESPONDED
FAVORABLY. AS WE ALL KNOW, IN BITTER QUARRELS LIKE CYPRUS OR THE
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